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Dear Examiner Tran:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment and Response is filed responsive to the Non-Final Office Action mailed October 27, 2009. Applicants submit that the Response is timely filed on January 27, 2010. In view of the comments set forth below, Applicants respectfully urge reconsideration, withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, and allowance of the claims:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.